

Hancock Department

WOULD CONTROL WATER SYSTEMS

OKINEN DEATH STILL MYSTERY

State Board of Health Will Propose a New Law

Inquest Fails to Reveal Cause of Death of Quincy Man

A proposed law has been framed by officers of the state board of health providing for the placing of the water system of all cities in the state directly under the control of the state board of health, will be presented at the next session of the legislature. Michigan already has a law providing for partial supervision of water system by the state board of health, but the new law will give the body power to order private and municipally owned systems to make changes.

A Lansing press dispatch says: The state board of health bill that will be introduced at the coming session of the legislature, will mean a further supervision of the board relative to sanitary conditions, if passed.

The proposed act provides that the state board shall have supervisory and visitatorial power over all water works system, both municipal and private. The act provides that the mayor or every city shall file with the state board before Oct. 1, 1913, a description of the waterworks and system of water supply in use so that the department may determine their effect on public health. In case any supply is found impure the board has power to compel the management to make such changes as will insure pure water. No system can be installed without having the plans approved by the board, and no alterations can be made without approval. The bill also provides that the board shall have the same power over all sewage disposal system.

The state board will also be empowered to provide for annual conferences of officials of local boards of health in the prevention of communicable diseases, such conferences to be called either for the state at large or by districts. Provision is made for defraying expenses of delegates.

In addition no health officer appointed under the present law will be allowed to assume office until approved by the state board. Should an investigation by the state board show that an appointed official is unsuitable the board has the power to require a new appointment. Another provision is that on proper investigation by the state board, the governor will have the power to remove health officers who fail to do their duties.

A provision is made for employing a state sanitary engineer who shall give his full time to the inspection and investigation of the water works, sewage and garbage disposal systems in all cities and villages and to such other matters as the state board shall direct.

DEMMON SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Teachers and Officers Are Elected for Year 1913.

The Methodist Episcopal Sunday school of Demmon recently elected officers and teachers as follows: Superintendent—James K. Williams. Assistant superintendent—G. R. Liberty. Secretary—Manfred E. Best. Assistant secretary—Albert Rogers. Organist—Bessie Saunders. Assistant organist—Rita Jaehnie. Librarian—William Bonds. Treasurer—William Symons. Chorister—Charles Uren. Doorkeeper—William J. Symons. Adult's teacher—Felix Best. First, second and third classes, boys—G. R. Liberty, Eva Saunders and Mrs. W. J. Bond. First, second, third and fourth, girls—Rita Jaehnie, Gladys Symons, Bessie Saunders, Mrs. Fredora and Mrs. Jeffy.

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The inquest into the causes of the death of Peter Okinen who was found dead beside the tracks of the Quincy and Torch Lake railroad on the night of Dec. 14 developed nothing of importance when it was held last evening in the offices of Justice Little.

The evidence was largely along the same lines as the evidence given a week ago when the inquest was first held and after hearing all of the testimony the jury retired and returned almost immediately with the verdict that "Peter Okinen came to his death close to the Menard crossing on Dec. 14 from causes unknown to the jurors."

Some suspicion seemed to be pointing towards foul play at the hands of Oscar Romppanen, the long gash in the back of the dead man being the strongest evidence that the death was not entirely accidental but a saloon-keeper from Courantown testified that Romppanen and Okinen came to his place of business on the evening of the 14th together and that Okinen stayed only a short time and then went on while Romppanen remained all night at his place and did not leave until the next morning, if so would preclude all chances of foul play on Romppanen's part.

J. E. O'Neill testified that he viewed the body when it was being prepared for burial and that he believed that the back bone of the dead man had been broken but as Dr. A. E. Fischer of the Quincy had testified that the back was not broken, Mr. O'Neill would not state positively that the man's back was broken but said he had no belief at the time.

Several witnesses testified that they had examined Okinen's clothes and that they had observed the cuts in them that were taken as evidence that Okinen was murdered but as no one could be found who would voice the suspicion, the jury had no evidence of this nature to consider.

Coroner Little after the inquest stated that there was no chance that the body would be disinterred and a post mortem held, this course having been suggested as a possible solution of the difficulty. The coroner has no power to disinter bodies unless on a suspicion of poisoning when so ordered by the coroner's jury and there was no need for another examination as a number of physicians had viewed the remains. Since all of the evidence has been examined and no one could be found who was a witness of the death of Okinen, the case will now be allowed to drop according to the coroner all of the legal forms having been complied with.

The jury which returned the verdict was composed of Thomas Noyes, John P. Sullivan, Patrick McCarthy, Thomas Hanley, Michael Sullivan and Ed. Cashion.

ORDAINED AT MARQUETTE. John Holland enters Priesthood at Marquette Cathedral.

John Holland, a former resident of this city, was ordained into the priesthood at Marquette yesterday morning, the ceremony being performed by Rt. Rev. Bishop Els.

A number of Hancock people, including Fr. Atfield, pastor of St. Patrick's church here, and a number of friends and relatives of the young man went to Marquette Christmas afternoon to be present at the ordination.

Mr. Holland is well known here, being the son of Mrs. Bridget Holland of this city and a brother of D. A. Holland. The original plan was to have the ordination take place in St. Patrick's church where the young man went to church and where he served as an altar boy for a number of years, but the inability of Bishop Els to come to Hancock made the change in the plans necessary. Mr. Holland has been studying at St. Francis Seminary in Milwaukee for the past year and but recently completed his studies. He came to Marquette the early part of the week and received the orders of deacon and sub-deacon there at the hands of the bishop. He has remained in Marquette all week with the bishop, being unable to come to this city.

The ordination of John Holland into the priesthood marks the ordination of the second Hancock young man to take these orders, the other being Rev. Fr. P. R. Sullivan of St. Paul.

DUE TO WRONG POSITIONS. Meter Trouble Often Caused By Incorrect Placing of Meter.

That much of the trouble that has been reported by Hancock water consumers who have complained that their meters were continually getting out of order is due to the incorrect placing of the meters when they were first installed, according to General Manager Stockley.

Meters were often put in place upside down, or at right angles to the perpendicular, and this always creates an eddy in the meter that causes trouble. Sediment that would ordinarily pass through the meter without causing any trouble in the upper part of eddy and settles in the upper part of the meter if it is tipped at an improper angle. In the course of a year the meter will be filled with iron rust from the pipes and with other matter carried by the water, and the meter

will become filled with sediment. A number of cases have come to the attention of the city officials where water consumers have complained that their meters had been improperly set, that sediment collected and prevented the flow of water.

The city is having all of the meters examined and when any are found that are out of place they are taken out and properly set. This means a good deal of work for the water department but it is considered time well spent.

SNOW ON STREETS PROBLEM. Streets Are Not Properly Packed and Bad Sleighting Results.

The city officials are having some trouble with the snow on Quincy street. Front street and a number of other thoroughfares in the city. The snow has failed to pack properly in a number of places and soft spots appear at short intervals that render sleighing extremely bad. The solution of this problem is causing the city officials some concern, and a satisfactory method of remedying this condition has yet to be found.

The Hancock streets have been kept remarkably clear from snow this year, although no big storms have yet appeared to test the ability of the street department to keep the streets clear. Some sections of the city, notably the west end, have been somewhat neglected by the sidewalk plows, but this was largely due to an oversight on the part of some of the officials and is not a regular occurrence.

The use of the big plow to turn up the packed snow along the gutters and curbs on Quincy street has rendered it comparatively easy to collect the snow from the streets and has presented a smooth flat surface for teaming.

WILL BUILD POOL SOON. North Star Society Will Install Swimming Pool Next Month.

President Edward Johnston of the North Star Temperance Society has announced that the society has decided to go ahead with the plans for installing a swimming pool in the hall on Reservation street and that the work will be undertaken after the first of the year.

The society has long felt the need of such a pool and they have been assured the co-operation of a number of Hancock societies in their efforts to build one. A number of societies have asked that a separate day each week be set aside for their members to use this pool and with this aid assured the society feels that the expense of building this pool can be undertaken.

Agitation has been started for a Y. M. C. A. in Hancock again, the officers of the old society feeling that they can make the affair a success now. The lack of a gymnasium has been keenly felt in Hancock for some time and the younger people have long wished to see one built and fitted up. It has been argued that Houghton and Hancock together can afford a Y. M. C. A. and would be able to support one but so far no active campaign has been started to assure the town of its practicability.

DEBT DOWN TO \$150. Hancock M. E. Church Congregation Trying to Clear.

The debt against the First Hancock Methodist Episcopal church has been reduced to \$150 according to the pastor of the church and an organized effort will be made to wipe out the debt next Sunday.

While the congregation has been very generous in their contributions this year and have done everything that could be expected of them, Mr. Crosby believes that the remaining debt can be cleared away before the beginning of the new year and he will ask his congregation to make an especial effort to raise the needed amount.

HANCHETTE CASE ARGUED. Taken Up in Probate Court to Decide Question of Jurisdiction.

Arguments took up the attention of the probate court all this morning and afternoon in an attempt to decide which court had jurisdiction in the case of the city of Hancock versus C. D. Hanchette, a condemnation suit brought by the city of Hancock against Mr. Hanchette to secure a strip of land for front street. Attorney Angus W. Kerr, of Calumet, is representing Mr. Hanchette, and Attorney W. A. Burrill, of Hancock, the city. No decision had been reached when The News went to press.

JAMES LEAVES MONDAY. Sen. W. Frank James leaves Monday for Lansing to attend the session of the state legislature. The Hancock senator is interested in a good deal of the legislation that will come up at this session and is expected to take an active part in the work of the session.

FORMER ENGINEER BACK. C. B. M. Craig former city engineer for Hancock, returned here this morning from Jamestown, N. D. where he is now employed, for a visit with old friends.

HANCOCK BREVITIES. Miss Ray Rembach and Miss Vera Olson from Hancock have gone to Mass City to visit over the holidays.

Mrs. Honora Driscoll, aged 84, a resident of the Menard location for a great many years, passed away at her home yesterday morning at 10 o'clock, death coming from ailments due to Mrs. Driscoll's advanced age. She is survived by a number of grandchildren but by no nearer relatives.

The funeral arrangements have not been announced as yet.

M. C. Toben of Duluth is visiting in Hancock.

Holly Rebekah lodge, No. 316 will hold a meeting this evening to initiate candidates and conduct work in the degrees.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Clymo of New Castle, Ind., are here visiting Mr. Clymo's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Clymo of Quincy.

The Hancock Pythians will conduct work in the first rank at their regular meeting night. The entertainment committee is preparing a program for the joint installation of the Pythians and the Pythian Sisters early in January.

Francis J. Dervo of Chicago arrived in Hancock yesterday for a brief visit with relatives and friends.

Ed J. Phillips of Ishpeming was a Hancock visitor Christmas.

Vincent Bennett of Cleveland arrived in Hancock Christmas for a visit at the home of his mother, Mrs. Mary Bennett of Ryan street.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Andrews were in from Winona Christmas to visit Mr. and Mrs. George Gonde of Hancock.

Miss Florence Stockley is in Hancock visiting at the Stockley home. Miss Stockley is a school teacher in the Bessemer school department.

Howard Chynoweth of Ripley has left for Big Rapids, Mich., where he will attend the Ferris Institute.

Marvin Coon is here from Duluth to visit with Hancock relatives over the holidays.

George Weaton of Bessemer is a visitor at the Weaton home here.

Members of the S. P. C. club of the Hancock M. E. church will entertain with a social session tonight.

Chas. Pelto, son of Mr. and Mrs. August Pelto, is home from Detroit to spend the holidays.

Edward St. John, Sr., of Dollar Bay, left yesterday for Montreal, Quebec, where he will attend a family reunion. Three brothers and a sister of Mr. St. John reside in Montreal. He has not visited them for thirty-seven years. Before returning to Dollar Bay, Mr. St. John will visit relatives in Waterville, N. Y.

Hancock Pythians received a letter this morning from the Grand Chancellor of Michigan notifying them that the proposed relief fund statute had been put in force, the required number of lodges having given it their approval. The Hancock lodge is one of the branches of the order which passed favorably on the statute early in the fall.

DOLLAR BAY NOTES. The Ancient Order of Hibernians, division No. 4 elected officers recently, as follows:

President—Patrick Teeley. Vice president—John Green. Rec. secretary—P. H. Kindelam. Ten. secretary—H. J. Donlan. Treasurer—John Dunstan. Sergeant at arms—M. Keegan. Installation will be held the first Sunday in January.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, division No. 3, held their annual election of officers last Friday evening. The following were elected:

President—Mrs. J. Donlan. Vice president—Mrs. J. Rickard. Fin. Secretary—Mrs. M. Crowley. Rec. Secretary—Miss J. Green. Treasurer—Mrs. J. Des Rosier. Sergeant at arms—Mrs. M. Minnear. Sentinel—Miss K. Kindelam. Chairman of standing committee—Mrs. Margaret Foley. Reader of History—Mrs. Jessie Martin.

LAKE LINDEN ITEMS. Miss M. Thibodeau, who has been caring for Will Carah during his illness, left last night for Dollar Bay, for a few days' visit. Miss Thibodeau was relieved by Miss Lukkey of Marquette. Mr. Carah is improving. Miss Thibodeau will leave soon for Rochester, Minn.

Capt. and Mrs. A. Wain, of Allouez, paid Lake Linden a visit this week. Miss Anna Ganser, chief telephone operator at Lake Linden, is on her vacation.

John Duncan Lodge, No. 373, E. & A. M., of Lake Linden, will hold a regular meeting this evening, which will be followed by a smoker and luncheon.

"The presidential collection of china at the White House," says a dispatch, "has received a notable addition in a cup and saucer from which President Jackson drank his coffee." The announcement that Andy drank from a saucer is further evidence of his sterling democracy.—Washington Post.

Insurance Claims can be realized for the full amount of the policy only when all records, books and papers, etc., requested by adjusters are submitted. A

Globe Cabinet Safe affords protection to papers that are not in themselves insurable, but which are frequently in demand after a fire. We are selling agents for this city.

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Eating in the Fifth Act of Life. The advice which Sydney Smith gave to Lord Murray on the subject of diet was probably sound. "If you wish for anything like happiness in the fifth act of life," he wrote, "eat and drink one-half of what you could eat and drink."

Did I ever tell you my calculations about eating and drinking? Having ascertained the weight of what I could live upon so as to preserve health and strength, and what I did live upon, I found that between ten and seventy years of age I had eaten and drunk forty-four horse wagon loads of meat and drink more than would have preserved me in life and health. The value of this mass of nourishment I considered to be worth \$7,000. It occurred to me that I must, by my voracity, have starved to death fully 100 persons. This is a frightful calculation, but irresistibly true."

How a Woman Saved Nice. It happened in August, 1543, and is recalled by Mrs. Walter Tibbitts in "Cities Seen in East and West." Nice (then under the dukes of Savoy) was being besieged by Francis I. and his barons.

Catherine Segurine was a washerwoman whose creed was laborare est orare. She carried food to the defenders on the ramparts still left. The Turks had put up a scaling ladder. The captain led his party, and they were actually on the parapet. She rushed at the Turkish officer, wrenched the flag he was carrying from him, beat him back with the butt and end of the ladder on top of all. Then, rallying the soldiers, they threw open a postern, made a sortie and drove the Turks to the shore.

Handy Telephone Tables. The new telephone tables with wooden stools will appeal to many housekeepers, as often it is difficult to find a table the correct height for the telephone to rest upon.

These new tables, which come in mahogany, oak and mission, are small and good looking and would not at all mar the appearance of any room, provided, of course, that one was selected in the same wood as the rest of the furniture. They are square or three-cornered in design and have swinging wooden arms, with a round stand covered with green baize on which to rest the telephone. Under the table is a shelf to hold the necessary but very unsightly telephone directory, while the wooden stool can be slid under the table when not in use. The three-cornered shaped table will be found very convenient for fitting into a corner of any room or hall.

On the top of the table can be placed the necessary tablet and pencil, which every telephone table should be supplied with, as it is often difficult to remember a number given over the wire if there is not such a card of tablet.

Some women keep a secret just for pure meanness. It is hard luck when a man has to pay out money for an operation and then doesn't get his name on the first page of his home paper.

There are candidates who don't mind being defeated, but they do feel sorry for the dear people.

The man who won't take the trouble to register finds the most fault with the government.

Sometimes we can't even enjoy the pleasant temperature of the house because we are thinking what a lot of luxury our coal dealer is able to purchase.

When a girl learns to make fudge she thinks that the whole range of culinary attainments are hers.

The keynote of character is some times under emphasized by the over tone of conduct.

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Self Restraint. It was a very hot day and the fat drummer who wanted the 12:29 train got through the gate at just 12:21. The ensuing handicap was watched with absorbed interest both from the train and the station platform. At its conclusion the breathless and perspiring knight of the road wearily took the

Six Don'ts For Mothers. Haven't you seen mothers, not only the young, inexperienced mothers, but women of mature years who are old enough to know better, constantly doing things to their children that make you want to shake them and if possible bring them to a sense of realization of the error of their ways?

Mothers will persist in allowing themselves to grow old in feeling. Of course they cannot stay the passage of years, but they can keep young in thought by making themselves a companion to their children, joining in their play as well as the more serious phases of their lives.

Mothers must take care not to let themselves rust mentally. The growing girl and boy who can have mother help them out of a tight place in their lessons or can go to her for a clear answer to a perplexing question rarely get that disagreeable know it all air so common to young America.

Never try to force your children's confidence. If you have tried to be the chain of your child from the start the confidence will be given unhesitatingly. Confidences that are asked or demanded are always given grudgingly and with a sense of resentment when they are not refused altogether. Children never confide willingly in an unsympathetic mother. The moment a child realizes he will be criticized or scolded for the little mistakes he makes he will hide everything possible from the mother, but if he is sure of her ready sympathy the confidence will be given unasked.

Avoid allowing a child to see that you are disappointed in him. There is no surer road to self-consciousness and the "don't care attitude" than if the boy and girl feel that mother thinks them a failure.

On the other hand, don't think your children are prodigies. Children usually know they are not the human wonders their fond mothers believe them to be, and when they are constantly exploited they are bound to be conscious of embarrassment and being under a strain show up to bad advantage. And if the child agrees with the maternal opinion he becomes a bore and disgustingly conceited.

A Charity Dance. Awkward Spouse—I see our net is to have a grand charity ball. Did you ever dance for charity? Pretty Wife—Of course. Don't you remember how I used to take pity on you and dance with you when we first met?—London Telegraph.

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